

WHEN AGE CREEPS ON

NOTHING TOO GOOD FOR THE WOMAN WHO IS GROWING OLD.

Oliver Harper Wants to See Her Sex Grow Old Gracefully and Wear Pretty Garments and Trizele Their Hair to Discomfit Old Father Time.

[Special Correspondence.]
New York, Sept. 4.—When old age sets his withering seal upon a woman, she needs all the aids to her toilet that art and richness of material can give. There is no fabric too sumptuous nor



GOWNS FOR ELDERLY LADY AND DINNER DRESS.

lace too fine for her, and she needs them then more than ever before. We hear much about growing old gracefully, and it occurs to me just now that I would very much like to know what is meant by that. Does it mean that one who feels the golden sands of youth slipping away should struggle and try to cheat time by youthful dresses and manners, or does it mean that the poor soul who sees nearly all that makes her life worth living slipping away should give up the struggle and bow her head to the inevitable at once without the feeble protest of clinging to her pretty garments while longer? Must the woman who decides to grow old gracefully put on caps and stop frizzing her hair because she has passed the milestone of half a century and tamely settle down into an old woman whose very identity is almost effaced?

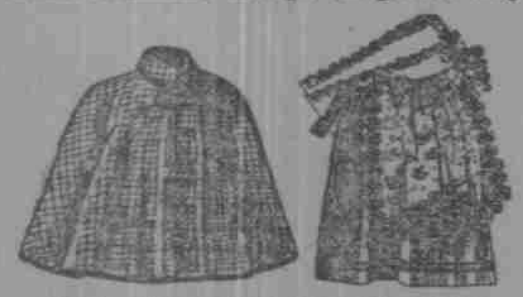
It is a hard thing for a woman to cross the boundary between middle and old age, and it comes with a sudden shock when she finds that her claims to public consideration now are based simply upon her years. A man at 50 is not old enough to have it said that he is old, and, however old a man may be, he still has a certain degree of interest for women if he has money, and he can marry a dozen times if he wants to after he is 60, but when the woman has passed her forties she is relegated to a shelf very high up and in a rarely frequented spot and told to grow old gracefully—God help her—and let us all give her the richest and most costly fruits of the loom that she may do it.

We will mercifully forget all about those who must do their graceful growing in calico or homespun. Let us turn to those to whom growing old means the most, the votaries of fashion, and tell them how to find what solace they can. For them there are satin brocades in heavy qualities and rich colors, splendid pean de soie that would grace a queen, and reps with thick cord, and beautiful grosgrain silks. Besides these are moires and velvets and all the furs except ermine. In fact, it is just now strikes me that the elderly lady can have the pick and choice of everything. There was one beloved old lady who looked very handsome in a thick black bengaline corded silk made with a plain full skirt. The sleeves had loose balloon puffs, and they and the waist were trimmed with a superb arrangement of black silk passementerie. On the waist and around it were moire ribbons ending in a double bow at the waist. On her head perched above the palpable "front" was a sort of cap, with long, pointed ends in the back and a bunch of white lilies of the valley on the top. The lace was black chantilly and real.

Her daughter, herself a mother, wore a dove colored rep, with three narrow ruffles made of gauze, striped ribbons around the bottom on the outside and a pinked ruffle of dark green silk on the inside. The waist was made of figured silk, white and dove color, and draped with the rep. The sleeves reached but to the elbows.

Dove and darker drab are both favorite colors for plain goods and also for those with small woven or stamped figures.

The apron as an ordinary article of wear is returning, and almost every lady will wear one at teas and almost all home occasions, though in public they



will be seen only at kindness. They are of silk and trimmed in many ways. Black silk with flowers and other patterns worked in colored silks will be much liked. Others may be trimmed with lace, stitchings in colors and with pancies or leaves embroidered along the edge, which is then out on the bottom. This, when done in colors, is very handsome. I saw one other very pretty idea. The apron was of brocade in light tints, and there was an applique of Russian embroidery all around it.

I saw a novelty in a knickerbocker cape of Scotch shepherd's plaid made round and plain, but having small pockets in front and being bound with braid. It had slits for the arms and altogether was neat and most useful.

OLIVER HARPER.

ADIRONDACK CAMPING.

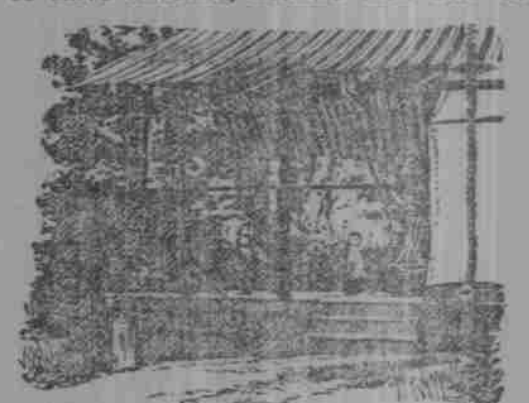
Fine Recreation For Women Who Are Willing to Rough It.

[Special Correspondence.]

PAUL SMITH'S, N. Y., Sept. 6.—Adirondack camping for women is not what it was eight or ten years ago. The woman camper in those days wore a regular camp costume, with short skirt of flannel and bodice to match; leggings of cloth or leather, strong low heeled shoes and felt hat. Sometimes women thus equipped went into rough camp with rifle and skiffing rod and lived as nearly as they might the life of the hunter.

"We don't do that now," said a camper, smiling from beneath her saucy sailor hat, "and every year we are more and more like the women that loiter about the hotel porches and take care of their complexions."

As a matter of fact, there has been a change in many respects for the better and some for the worse as to the manner of camp life for women. A woman may still, if she chooses, live in rough camps and scorn conventions, but most women do the other things. There are camps of all degrees, from the enormous establishments of the millionaires, where fashion still has her way and every body dresses two or three times a day, to the simple camps of sensible folks, where the women dress in outing costume when they rise and seldom appear in anything else, save perhaps on Sunday. It's easier to do this in your own camp or as a guest in some friend's camp than in the boarding camps, where to some extent there is such a thing as the conventionalities of town life. The boarder, however, who has the courage to be peculiar may, if she will, enjoy the luxury of dressing but once a day. The woman who comes camping to the Adirondacks, whether as guest or as boarder, needs an outing costume to consist of sailor hat, shirt waist, serge skirt and jacket to match, russet shoes and the proper sort of necktie. The provident woman will fetch along at least two outing gowns, skirt and jacket, and half a dozen shirt waists is none too many. Fashionable women are likely to have several dozens of the latter and five or six of the former, and it is the thing to have hatband, necktie and belt to



AN ADIRONDACK PORTICO.

match every shirt waist. Along with these things it is well to fetch a light muslin gown for the occasional hot midday, when one does not stir about, and some sort of more or less dressy gown of warm material for the frequent cool evenings.

All these latter things for the woman who has not made up her mind to brave it out day and night in outing costume, a thing that may be done in perfect comfort and safety. Several wraps, light and heavy, a few cushions and a hammock help out wonderfully in camp and are likely to be almost necessities to the boarding camper. If the camper is rich enough, it is most convenient to buy or hire for the season one of the light Adirondack boats. They may be had at secondhand as low as \$25 and new for \$60 or \$70. There is nothing to prevent an advantageous sale of the boat at the end of the season.

The woman camper's outfit may cost what she will. The skirt and jacket may be had ready made as low as \$4 or made to order as high as \$125. The latter price is absurd, and the former probably too low for good wear. An altogether suitable skirt and jacket may be had for \$20 and worn perhaps the season. Suitable shirt waists may be had ready made as low as 40 cents and made to order at the most fashionable places for as much as \$5 each. Reckless and rich women order the latter by the dozen. Clever women buy one at \$5 and make others of the best material on that pattern at a cost of about \$1 each. Hats and shoes may be had at prices that range from almost nothing up to \$3 or \$4 for the former and \$6 or \$8 for the latter. A serviceable hammock need not cost more than \$3, though some come at \$100 or more.

The joys of the sensible woman who camps in the Adirondacks are both physical and intellectual. The well chosen camp is always on a lake, and the modern outing costume is just the thing for rowing. Any woman can learn in three days to manage an Adirondack boat, and before the season is over can row five miles at a stretch without overtaxing her strength if she be in fair health. The average young woman in pretty outing costume is not a specially successful fisherwoman, but fish are queer things, and a wary old trout sometimes takes the hook of a giddy girl that welcomes his appearance above water with a shout that would madden the true fisherman. There is moonlight rowing for those that enjoy it. There are long all day expeditions up and down the crooked and beautiful Adirondack streams. There are trips of two or three days that one takes for many miles, alternately rowing through the lakes, marching overland while the guides carry the boats or paddling cautiously where a narrow stream completes the lake chain. There is mountain climbing, not of the perilous Alpine sort, but delightful in its way, with a night in rough camp on the mountain top and a breakfast cooked at dawn over a campfire. Then there is the delightful ease of the hammock and a book, or the August evening about the roaring campfire, indoors upon the hearth or outdoors on a headland overlooking the lake and its always wooded shores.

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How an Old-Time Stage Driver Surprised an Agent of the Road.

"There is quite a difference between staging in the early days of the state and now," said William Miller, the owner of the stage line running from Cazadero to Ukiah, California.

"When I came here from Boston in 1851 I drifted about a bit, and finally went into the service of Charles McLaughlin, the man who was afterward killed by Jerome Cox. He was the owner of the longest stage line in California at that time. It ran with relays from San Jose to Los Angeles."

"I remember once, in a lonely coast range canyon through which the road wound, we had a little experience that was thrilling for the moment. It was about 10 o'clock and a moonlight night. I was just putting the horses through. The stage was full of passengers, and there was a heavy treasure box."

"Just as I got around a bend in the road I saw a figure of a man on horseback standing by the side of the road. He yelled to stop, and I saw a gun barrel gleam in the moonlight. The horses were going at a speed that might be called breakneck, and I just made up my mind to take the chance of getting through. I saw the gun raised to the fellow's shoulder as we approached. I had my long whip in my hand, and with a desperation born of peril of the moment, I made a vicious swipe at him."

"I don't know how it occurred, but the lash wound itself around the gun, and as we dashed by the whip was drawn taut and I knew it had caught, so held fast. I was nearly pulled out of my seat, but the gun was dragged from the robber's hand and fell to the ground. At the same time it was charged by the shock. It rattled along the road for quite a distance before the whiplash unwound itself. I don't know what the highwayman thought, but I'll bet he was surprised."

BRITISH PRISONS.

Treatment Awarded to American Convicts Unknown Across the Water.

"Convicts who are confined in American prisons are allowed many more comforts and privileges than the same class of unfortunates in England."

said Howard L. Abbot of London. "A man in an English prison is almost as dead to the world as he would be in his tomb. Nothing in the way of food or reading matter can be sent him by his friends and he is never permitted to see a newspaper. Only at long intervals can he write or receive letters and he is never allowed to speak unless he is addressed by an official of the prison. A prisoner sentenced for three years may see a visitor once in three months and he is allowed to write one letter. To men whose terms are longer such privileges are granted less often. For the first month the prisoner's bed consists simply of a broad board, raised a few inches above the floor. He has no mattress and the bed clothing consists of a blanket, pillow, and a couple of sheets. At the end of a month, if his conduct has been all that is required, he is given a mattress three nights a week. Later he has a mattress five nights a week and still later, if his deportment continues absolutely perfect, he is allowed a mattress every night. His food is also regulated by the length of time he remains in prison. He commences with the poorest and most meager fare at first, which is gradually changed for that a little better if his conduct is unexceptionable. But no matter how well he may conduct himself his diet never equals that given to the ordinary prisoner in America."

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Beech Trees.

The common notion that beech trees are not struck by lightning so often as other trees is supported by experiments made by J. J. Dimittie, who passed the spark of a Holtz machine through blocks of different kinds of wood. The spark passed through oak after one or two revolutions of the machine, while five were required for black poplar and willow, and from twelve to twenty for beech. It was found that the difference was due to the richness in fat. Pine, which is rich in fat in winter but poor in summer, showed a resistance corresponding to the time at which it was selected for the test.

G. A. R. to Pittsburg.

VIA THE LAKE SHORE ROUTE.

For the annual meeting of the G. A. R. at Pittsburg, September 8 to 15, excursion tickets will be on sale via the Lake Shore route, September 5th to 10th, good for return until the 25th, and will admit of one stopover on the return, which will afford an opportunity for those who wish to visit the tomb of Garfield at Cleveland, or other points of interest of which there are many along the line of the Lake Shore route. B. P. Humphrey, T. P. A., 727 Main St., Kansas City, Mo.; C. K. Wilber, West. Pass. Agt., Chicago.

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